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For: WIRE CONNECTING
CONNECTOR

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated October 17, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1, amend claim 2, and add new claim 5 as follows:

2. (Amended) A wire connecting connector according to claim 5, further comprising a disengagement prevention means for holding together the first connecting body and the second connecting body.

5. (New) A wire connecting connector comprising:
a first connecting body having a protruding male terminal;
a second connecting body fitted to the first connecting body, the second connecting body having a protruding female terminal configured to receive the

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